

Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (previously presented): Footwear, comprising:

a sole;

an upper attached to said sole wherein a portion of said upper is formed of a material having a first side and a second side wherein said first side has a pile and said second side has hooks opposite substantially everywhere said first side has pile,

wherein said portion includes a throat region of said upper.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 1, further comprising at least one strap formed of said material extending from at least one of a medial side and lateral side of said [[a]] throat region of said upper, wherein said at least one strap is removably fastened to said portion of said upper located on the other of said medial side and said lateral side.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 2, wherein said at least one strap extends from and is formed as a unitary structure with said throat region portion of said upper comprising at least a portion of said throat region of said upper from which said at least one strap extends.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 2, wherein at least two straps extend from said throat region of said upper with at least one strap extending from said medial side and one strap extending from said lateral side.

Claim 5 (cancelled).

Claim 6 (previously presented): The footwear of claim [[5]] 1, wherein said portion of said upper substantially comprises a region extending from said throat region to said sole of said upper.

Claim 7 (withdrawn).

Claim 8 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 2, further comprising at least one heel strap extending from said portion of said upper on at least one of said medial and lateral sides, wherein said at least one heel strap extends behind the heel of a wearer and is removably fastened to said portion of upper of said footwear on the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 8, wherein at least one heel strap is removably fastened behind the heel of a wearer of said footwear to at least another heel strap from the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 1, wherein said material is a single-ply material.

Claim 11 (previously presented): Footwear comprising:

a sole,

an upper attached to said sole, said upper including a vamp having a medial side and lateral side and at least one vamp strap, wherein at least a portion of one of said medial and said lateral sides of said vamp and a portion of said at least one vamp strap are formed from a material with a first side and a second side, said first side having a plurality of hooks and said second side having a pile,

wherein said at least one vamp strap extends from at least one of said medial side and lateral side of said upper and removably fastens to said portion of said vamp located on the other of said medial side and said lateral side of said upper.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 11, wherein said at least one vamp strap is formed as a unitary structure with said portion of said upper comprising at least a throat region on said side from which said at least one vamp strap extends.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 11, wherein at least two vamp straps extend from a throat region of said upper with at least one vamp strap extending from said medial side and one vamp strap extending from said lateral side.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 11, wherein said portion of said vamp substantially comprises a throat region of said upper.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 14, wherein said portion of said vamp substantially comprises a region extending from said throat region to where said upper is attached to said sole.

Claim 16 (withdrawn).

Claim 17 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 11, said upper further comprising a heel region including at least one heel strap extending from said heel region on at least one of said medial and lateral sides, wherein said heel region and said at least one heel strap are formed from a material with a first side and a second side, said first side having a plurality of hooks and said second side having a pile and extends behind the heel of a wearer and is removably fastened to said heel region on the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 17, wherein said at least one heel strap is removably fastened behind the heel of a wearer of said footwear to at least another heel strap extending from the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 11, wherein said material is a single-ply material.

Claims 20-37 (cancelled).

Claim 38 (previously presented): Footwear, comprising:
a sole;
an upper attached to said sole wherein a portion of said upper is formed of a material having a first side and a second side wherein said first side of said material includes a plurality of hooks and said second side of said material includes a pile;
wherein said hook and said pile are coextensive on a single-ply of said material.